

November 29, 1965

William C. Grauer
2464 Kenilworth Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Graduate; Philadelphia College of Art, 1914

Associate Professor of Art
Western Reserve University
28 years

Travel and painting trips:

Foreign: 6 visits (Mexico) Domestic: all parts of the United States
1 visit (Spain)

Professional Art Practice for thirty years as;

Mural painter
Advertising Illustrator
Architectural and Interior Renderer

Co-Director Old White Art Colony and Gallery, White Sulphur Springs, West
Va. 1932-41

Professional Painter and Exhibitor

21 Awards

Paintings in the following museums and collections:

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Melbourne Museum of Art, Melbourne, Australia
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Listed in Who's Who in American Art

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- 1982 Erie Art Center, Erie, Pa.
- 1983 Kennedy Art Center Gallery, Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio:
 - Husband and wife exhibition; Grauer paintings, Dorothy
 - Turobinski textiles